

RURAL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE GRANT TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

**TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE RECIPIENT
REVIEW AND APPROVAL PROCESS**

**EACH TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE RECIPIENT'S PROPOSAL WILL BE REVIEWED
FOR ELIGIBILITY BY BUSINESS AND COMMUNITY PROGRAMS BEFORE ANY
ASSISTANCE IS APPROVED**

A. Technical Assistance Recipients:

Each small and emerging private business enterprise must meet the following: Be a private business that will employ 50 or fewer new employees and has less than \$1 million in projected gross revenues. Each recipient will provide the following to the grantee.

1. Description of the project
2. Letter of Clearance from the Division of Community Services
3. Start-up Business: business pro forma financial statements
Existing: tax return or financial statements of record
4. Review by the Governor's Office for consistency with the mission established by the State of North Dakota (if service area of grantee is statewide)

B. Approval of Technical Assistance Recipients:

1. The grantee must submit Items A 1, 2 and 3 as provided by the technical assistance recipient and Item 4.
2. You must certify that the project is located in a rural area.
3. You must certify at least 51 percent of the outstanding interest in the project has membership or is owned by those who are either citizens of the United States or reside in the United States after being legally admitted for permanent residence.
4. USDA Rural Development will review the non-procurement list (RD Instruction 1940-M) <http://epls.arnet.gov/> for the grantee and technical assistance recipient
5. USDA Rural Development will notify the grantee in writing of project concurrence.

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